

**STATE AID FOR SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC LIBRARIES
CHRONOLOGY FY 43 – FY 04**

State Aid for county and regional libraries began in FY 43 when the General Assembly appropriated \$200 annually for qualifying county libraries. To participate in the State Aid program, public libraries must be legally established, administered by a legally appointed board, provide county-wide library service, maintain levels of county funding, and meet certain standards of service. The regulations under which the State Library administers the State Aid program ensure that state funds do not replace local funds, that funds are used to achieve a higher level of public library service, and that each citizen of the state has access to such service.

FISCAL YEAR	PER CAPITA	TOTAL
1942 - 1943	\$200 per county	\$ 8,100
1943 - 1948	\$300 per county	\$ 13,800
1948 - 1952	\$1,000 per county	\$ 46,000
1952 - 1967	\$1,500 per county	\$ 69,000
1967 - 1972	20 cents per capita	\$ 518,103
1972 - 1973	25 cents per capita	\$ 647,629
1973 - 1978	35 cents per capita	\$ 906,681
1979 - 1980	50 cents per capita	\$1,295,258
1980 - 1981	75 cents per capita (1970 census)	\$1,942,887
1981 - 1982	73.3 cents per capita (1980 census)	\$2,288,173
1982 - 1983	71 cents per capita	\$2,214,637
1983 - 1984	75 cents per capita	\$2,339,406
1984 - 1985	\$1.00 per capita	\$3,121,820
1985 - 1986	98 cents per capita	\$3,059,384
1986 - 1987	96.1 cents per capita	\$3,001,246
1987 - 1988	95.12 cents per capita	\$2,969,475

FISCAL YEAR	PER CAPITA	TOTAL
1988 - 1989	\$1.00 per capita	\$3,124,024
1989 - 1990	\$1.05 per capita *	\$3,290,673
1990 - 1991	\$1.04 per capita *	\$3,271,181
1991 - 1992	93.5 cents per capita * (1990 Census)	\$3,274,411
1992 - 1993	92.5 cents per capita *	\$3,240,033
1993 - 1994	\$1.00 per capita *	\$3,498,360
1994 - 1995	\$1.05 per capita *	\$3,793,054
1995 - 1996	\$1.25 per capita *	\$4,371,028
1996 - 1997	\$1.35 per capita *	\$4,710,077
1997 - 1998	\$1.40 per capita *	\$4,883,969
1998 - 1999	\$1.50 per capita*	\$5,231,815
1999 – 2000	\$1.86 per capita **	\$6,610,377
2000 – 2001	\$1.98 per capita **	\$6,988,630
2001 – 2002	\$1.64 per capita ** (2000 Census)	\$5,856,289
2002 – 2003	\$1.17 per capita **	\$4,920,331
2003 – 2004	\$1.00 per capita **	\$4,318,261

* In FY 90, the Appropriation Acts included a proviso that no county should receive less than \$15,000.

** In FY 2000, the Appropriate Act included a proviso that no county should receive less than \$40,000.